

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

710101.1170

First Inventor

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Title

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERLEAVING FORWARD
CORRECTION CODE WORDS ACROSS MULTIPLE
COMMUNICATION CONNECTIONS

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| 2. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Applicant claims small entity status. See CFR 1.27 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Specification (preferred arrangement set forth below) [Total Pages 20] | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Descriptive title of the invention - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed. Sponsored R&D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 6. | <input type="checkbox"/> | Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 10. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney |
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity Fee Code | Large Entity Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| 1001 | 750 | 2001 | 375 | Utility Filing Fee | 750.00 |
| 1002 | 330 | 2002 | 165 | Design Filing Fee | |
| 1003 | 520 | 2003 | 260 | Plant Filing Fee | |
| 1004 | 750 | 2004 | 375 | Reissue Filing Fee | |
| 1005 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional Filing Fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) | | | | | (\$ 750.00 |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| | Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee From Below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| Total Claims | 16 | - 20** = 0 | X 9.00 = 0 | |
| Independent Claims | 5 | - 3** = 2 | X 84.00 = 168.00 | |
| Multiple Dependent | | | 140.00 = | |

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
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| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 1202 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 84 | 2201 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 280 | 2203 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 84 | 2204 | 42 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |
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| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 | 410 | 2252 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 465 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1,450 | 2254 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 1,970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
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| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
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| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 | Petition to revive-unintentional | |
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| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 | Plant issue fee | |
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| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee for provisional application | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 | 750 | 2809 | 375 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 | 750 | 2810 | 375 | For each add. invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 | 750 | 2801 | 375 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited exam. of a design application | |


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1 Page of Abstract
5 Pages of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-8)
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